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Dr. Douglas L. Weed is a physician epidemiologist with 25 years of experience in epidemiological research and research training. He is the founder and managing member of DLW Consulting Services, LLC, a company that specializes in providing expert advice and guidance on problems at the interface of science, law, commerce, and public policy. Dr. Weed graduated from The Ohio State University, summa cum laude, in Engineering in 1974 and in Medicine in 1977. He received the Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) and Ph.D. (epidemiology) degrees from the University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill) in 1980 and 1982. He was employed at the National Cancer Institute from 1982 to 2007.

Dr. Weed's expertise in scientific research methods provides a strong foundation for assessing the reliability and validity of causal claims and policy recommendations. His research focuses on the scientific methods of general and specific disease causation. These include weight-of-evidence methods, systematic reviews, meta-analysis, and criteria of causation. Recent work has focused on the quality of reviews and the quality of meta-analyses. In addition, he has extensive experience in the ethics of epidemiology and public health. A hallmark of Dr. Weed's consulting practice is providing evidence-based solutions to key problems facing stakeholders. Addressing conflicts of interest and the use of scientific methods in legal and regulatory contexts are good examples of key stakeholder problems. Current and past projects include expert testimony and consultation in toxic tort litigation and assessments of health risks from exposure to chemicals, infectious agents, pharmaceuticals, nutritional factors, and medical devices.

Dr. Weed is the former Chief, Office of Preventive Oncology, the Director of the Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program, and the Director of the Summer Curriculum in Cancer Prevention and Control at the National Cancer Institute. He served as the Chair of the Prevention Working Group of the National Cancer Institute/All Ireland Cancer Consortium. Most recently, he co-chaired the National Academy of Sciences Committee on the Daubert decision and was a Visiting Scholar at the Federal Judicial Center in Washington, DC. He is the past-chair of the American College of Epidemiology's Ethics and Standards of Practice Committee. He is an adjunct full professor at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. Dr. Weed is the author of over 100 journal publications and has edited two books: *Cancer Prevention and Control* (Marcel Dekker, 1995) and *Ethics and Epidemiology*, 2nd edition (Oxford, 2009). Currently he serves on the editorial boards of the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute* and the *American Journal of Epidemiology*.